##### June 6, 2016

**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Elizabeth Mallett, NAESB Deputy Director

**RE: Coordination with External Organizations Update**

As part of the ongoing coordination efforts between NERC and NAESB, the WEQ Standards Review Subcommittee (SRS) will hold a face-to-face meeting on July 14, 2016 at the NAESB office to conduct a review of the NERC Reliability Standards Development Plan (RSDP). Each year the WEQ SRS compares the NERC RSDP with the NAESB WEQ Annual Plan and drafts the NAESB submits written comments that contribute to the synchronization of efforts within the two organizations. All interested parties are welcome to attend the meeting.

As the retirement of the NERC BAL-004 Time Error Correction Reliability Standards will likely affect the corresponding NAESB WEQ-006 Manual Time Error Correction Business Practice Standards, the topic has become a standing agenda item on the monthly NERC/NAESB coordination calls. The NERC Board of Trustees is scheduled to consider the retirement of the NERC standard in August and, if approved, the retirement may require a coordinated filing between NAESB and NERC.

During the August WEQ Executive Committee meeting, a no action recommendation developed in response to the retirement of the NERC Inadvertent Interchange BAL-006 standards will be considered for vote. Over two conference calls held earlier this year, the WEQ Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) reviewed the activities and the standards developed by NERC under Project 2010-14.2.1 (Phase 2 of Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls: BAL-005, BAL-006, FAC-001). The WEQ BPS concluded that the proposed retirement will have no impact on the NAESB Business Practices Standards. A thirty day industry comment period for the no action recommendation developed by the WEQ BPS concluded on June 2, 2016. No comments were received.

As previously communicated, the removal of the Purchasing-Selling Entity (PSE) functional entity from the NERC Compliance Registry could potentially create a gap that will cause complications with the NAESB congestion management process and e-Tagging Specifications. In response, Kathy York and Roy True, the WEQ Executive Committee Chair and Vice Chair, have recently submitted a standards request to the NAESB office asking that a standards development effort allowing the PSE to change dynamic and pseudo-tied tags be treated as a priority.